## **ANALYSIS**

This ordinance amends Sections 2.08.160 and 2.18.025 of Title 2 – Administration of the Los Angeles County Code as follows:

- This ordinance increases the monetary limit of the delegated authority of the Chief Executive Officer and the Director of Public Works to purchase real property from \$25,000.00 to \$75,000.00.
- This ordinance establishes a termination date for the delegation of authority, as required by State law.

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<b>ORDINANCE</b>	NO.	

An ordinance amending Title 2 – Administration of the Los Angeles County Code, to increase the dollar limit of the delegated authority of the Chief Executive Officer and the Director of Public Works to purchase real property and establish a termination date for that delegation.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Section 2.08.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2.08.160 Purchase of real property -- \$2575,000.00 or less.

Pursuant to the authority granted by California Government Code

\$\section 25350.60\$, the e\(\textit{C}\) hief administrative\(\textit{Executive}\) e\(\textit{Officer}\) is authorized to perform all acts necessary to approve and accept for the e\(\textit{C}\) ounty the acquisition of any interest in real property where the purchase price for such interest does not exceed

\$\frac{25}{5},000.00\$, in accordance with the following specified procedures:

A. Establishment of Purchase Price. The purchase price, if any, must be based on a summary of just compensation and may be adjusted only with the written concurrence of eCounty eCounsel. The summary of just compensation shall be prepared in accordance with generally recognized real estate appraisal principles. The preparation of the summary of just compensation and the negotiations shall be performed in accordance with Government Code Sections 7260 et seq.

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- C. Approval of Acquisition by Planning Agency. The eChief administrative Executive eOfficer shall submit the proposed acquisition to the appropriate planning agency in accordance with Government Code Section 65402, or any statute which may later become appropriate, prior to the acquisition of the property.
- D. Assurance of Funding. Prior to committing the eCounty to acquisition of the property, funding must be identified as assured by the appropriate authority. For acquisitions to be paid from gas tax funds, the eDepartment of pPublic wWorks will be the appropriate authority. For acquisitions made from general fund sources, the eChief administrativeExecutive eOfficer will be the appropriate authority. For all special district acquisitions, the district's financial officer will be the appropriate authority.
- E. Form of Instrument. All instruments conveying ownership of <u>a property</u> interest must be in a form acceptable to e<u>C</u>ounty e<u>C</u>ounsel.
- F. Condemnation. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the eChief administrative Executive eOfficer's authority shall be exercised in conjunction with the eCounty eCounsel for any acquisition of an interest in real property where a resolution of condemnation has been previously adopted by the bBoard of sSupervisors of the eCounty of Los Angeles for the eCounty of Los Angeles, or in its ex officio capacity for any other public entity.
- G. Acceptance of Gifts. The eChief administrative Executive eOfficer is authorized to accept gifts consisting solely of real property interests. All requirements for the compliance with the environmental statutes and regulations and planning agency review shall be completed prior to acceptance.

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H. Expiration of authority. The authority granted to the Chief Executive

Officer pursuant to this Section shall be effective through and including July 31, 2014,

after which time it shall be deemed expired and of no further effect.

**SECTION 2.** Section 2.18.025 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2.18.025 Director -- Purchase of real property -- \$25<u>75</u>,000.00 or less.

Pursuant to the authority granted by California Government Code

\$\section 25350.60\$, the \$\delta\tilde{D}\$ irector is hereby authorized to perform all acts necessary to approve and accept the acquisition of any interest in real property for use by the e\tilde{C}\$ ounty of Los Angeles, including the department of public works, or the Los Angeles County Flood Control District and other special districts under the authority of the director where the purchase price for such interest does not exceed \$\frac{2575}{000.00}\$ in accordance with the following specified procedures:

A. Establishment of Purchase Price. The purchase price, if any, must be based on a summary of just compensation and may be adjusted only with the written concurrence of eCounty eCounsel. The summary of just compensation shall be prepared in accordance with generally recognized real estate appraisal principles. The preparation of the summary of just compensation and negotiations shall be performed in accordance with Government Code Section 7260 et seq.

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- C. Approval of Acquisition by Planning Agency. The dDirector shall submit the proposed acquisition to the appropriate planning agency in accordance with Government Code Ssection 65402, or any statute which may later become appropriate, prior to the acquisition of the property.
- D. Assurance of Funding. Prior to commitment to the acquisition of the property, funding must be identified as assured by the appropriate authority. For acquisitions to be paid from road funds or special district funds, the eChief fFinancial eOfficer of the dDepartment of pPublic wWorks will be the appropriate authority. For acquisitions to be paid from general fund sources, the eChief administrativeExecutive eOffice will be the appropriate authority.
- E. Form of Instrument. All instruments conveying ownership of property interests must be in a form acceptable to eCounty eCounsel.
- F. Condemnation. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the dDirector's authority shall be exercised in conjunction with the eCounty eCounsel for any acquisition of an interest in real property where a resolution of condemnation has been previously adopted by the bBoard of sSupervisors of the eCounty of Los Angeles for the eCounty of Los Angeles or in its ex officio capacity for any other public entity.
- G. Acceptance of Gifts. The dDirector is authorized to accept gifts consisting solely of real property interests and related improvements. All requirements for compliance with the environmental statutes and regulations and planning agency review shall be completed prior to acceptance.

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H. Expiration of authority. The authority granted to the Director pursuant to this Section shall be effective through and including July 31, 2014, after which time it shall be deemed expired and of no further effect.

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